

Board of Education Agenda Item

Item: _____ J. _____

Date: September 26, 2007

Topic: First Review of Nomination to Fill Vacancy on the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure

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☐ Topic presented for information only (no board action required)

☐ Board review required by

☐ State or federal law or regulation

☐ Board of Education regulation

☒ Other: Board of Education Bylaws

☒ Action requested at this meeting

☐ Action requested at future meeting

Previous Review/Action:

☐ No previous board review/action

☐ Previous review/action: Approved nominees to ABTEL

date: July 25, 2007

action: Adopted nominees recommended for appointment

Background Information: Article Nine, Section 2 of the Board of Education's bylaws states the following:

Advisory Committees. Advisory committees may be created by the Board for special purposes to include, but not be limited to, federal and state-mandated committees. An advisory committee shall be composed of persons who represent the views and interests of the general public and who are known to be qualified to perform their duties. Personnel of the Department of Education may be appointed to the committee, as members or as consultants. All appointments to an advisory committee shall be made by the Board upon the recommendations of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. . . .

The Board of Education's bylaws also specify the term of service in Article Sixteen, Section 4, as follows:

Section 4. Term of Service. Appointments to an advisory committee shall be for a term of three years. Members of an advisory committee may be appointed to a second consecutive three-year term, but shall not be eligible to serve for more than six consecutive years . . .

Summary of Major Elements: At the July 2007 meeting, a list of nominees recommended for appointment to the Board of Education advisory committees was adopted. Since that time, one of the nominees for ABTEL has unexpectedly resigned, thereby creating an additional vacancy in the elementary classroom teacher position.

The call for nominations for ABTEL appointments was continued, and the recommended appointee is:

- Ms. Tracey L. Dingus: 4th/5th grade teacher, Bristol City Public Schools

Ms. Dingus is the 2006 Teacher of the Year for the Bristol school division.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The Superintendent of Public Instruction recommends that the Board of Education waive first review and adopt the nominee recommended for appointment to the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure for the July 2007- June 2010 term.

Impact on Resources: The operating expenses and other costs associated with the meetings and functions of the Board of Education's advisory committees are provided through the Department of Education's operating funds. Where applicable, federal funds are provided to support the expenses and the work of an advisory committee.

Timetable for Further Review/Action: Department of Education staff will notify the nominee as soon as possible after the Board's action so that the committee meetings may be set for the coming term. Two advisory committees continue to have one vacancy each: the Virginia Advisory Committee for the Education of the Gifted and the State Special Education Advisory Committee. The call for nominations continues and nominees are expected to be brought forward at the October 18th meeting of the Board of Education.